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PROVINCIAL

Father Provincial left California on September 20 to visit the philosophers at Mt. St. Michael's. He sailed September 29, from Portland on the "General Lee." Sent by Father General to get a personal knowledge of the Province's work in China, he is to be absent some three months. He is the first Provincial of the United States to visit China.

Father William Dunne appointed Vice Provincial during the absence of Father Provincial, took over his new office on September 29.

Letters for the Vice Provincial should be addressed to Los Gatos. The Socius will be located at the Novitiate during the tenure of office by the Vice Provincial.

ALMA

Alma has a full house with 81 attending classes, and another theologian daily expected from Germany. As the theologians' building accommodates only 78, 4 are living with the faculty. First year numbers some 24, the long couse cycle 42, the short course 16. Father George Dunne out of course, is making his year privately at Loyola High.

Professors: Father Donovan, De Revelatione; Father Sullivan, De Ecclesia; Father Casey, De Inspiratione and De Introductione in S. Scripturam; Father Sheerin, De Deo Uno et Trino; Father Fagothey, De Deo Creante et Elevante, De Novissimis; Father Donnelly, Moral; Father Bart O'Neill, Short Course; Father Hagemann, Church History; Father Malone, Oriental Theology, Christian Archeology, Patrology.

Schola brevis was held Sept. 11; the ad auds., Sept. 16.

A consignment of Alma books left Barcelona just before Spain's present civil war broke out.

LOS ALTOS

Father McFadden has inaugurated a Fifty Cents a Month Club, to help reduce the debt at El Retiro. In some three weeks $1350.00 were paid in. The Club ceases after two or three years.

The Fresno Clergy made their two retreats at El Retiro in the third and fourth weeks of September. Father Isidore, a Passionist, gave the exercises.

In mid-September, the number of laymen who have made retreats at El Retiro was 200 above normal for the same time a year ago, and 11 above the entire total of the preceding year.

LOS GATOS

During July Father Gleeson stayed some weeks to work on his biography of Father Giacobbi.

On July 30, the newly arrived statue of St. Bernadette was dedicated at the Lourdes Shrine. Father Gleeson spoke on Lourdes and the spirit of faith.

Brothers John Brennan, Dondero, John Donohue, John Geary, Joseph Geary, and Douglas Stevenson pronounced their first vows on July 31.

On July 30 a group of 25 scholastics began their postulantship:

From the University of San Francisco, Francis Curran, William Frey, Thomas Korn, Martin Morley, and Herman Wondra.

From St. Ignatius High School, William Keenan, Roger McAuliffe, Edward McDermott, Timothy McDonnell, John McIntosh, Joseph Meehan, Peter Newport, John Perlite, and Edmond Smyth.

From University of Santa Clara, Leo Cullen of Gilroy.

From Bellarmine, Nicholas Biever, Henry Charvet, and Robert Leonard.

From Loyola University, Everett Cayo.

From Loyola High, Clinton Albertson,

John Brady, Armond Geiser, Michael Henaghan, John Huesman, and Francis Koenig.

On August 15th Brother Reinkey pronounced his Last Vows. On the same day, their first vows were pronounced by Brothers Alphonse Coenen, James Devlin, Charles Dullea, John Fischer, Joseph Keene, James Markey, Francis Moore, Joseph O'Gara, Fenton O'Toole, Edward Pettid, and Thomas Reed.

The school year opened on September 1. Father Collins teaches first year. Mr. McMahon teaches a new course in modern history.

September 8, Brother Richard H. Green pronounced his vows as a Scholastic; and Brother Francis Joneleit, as a Temporal Coadjutor.

Grape season with Brother Reinkey in charge of the winery, was formally opened on September 9.

Father George Dunne gave an inspiring talk on China and the Nanking Project. While the work in the "bush" is by no means to be abandoned, yet for the present the building up of the Nanking Institute is of primary importance.

The construction of the new house for the workmen is nearing completion. It is close to the old Hughes' home. It contains approximately 20 rooms, and a large recreation hall. Nearly all the building material used to date has been salvaged from the old winery, more commonly known as the Mexican House, and from the former Wilcox dwelling. The old Hughes' home will be demolished.

The large crucifix which had to be removed some months ago to be repaired, has been resored to its imposing position on the oak tree at the entrance to the property.

Brother Vlasich has turned many formerly arid pieces of ground into fertile vegetable gardens.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Father Vaughan has brought out a second edition of "Scholastic Philosophy. Minimum Requirements." It is dated June 1936, and has embodied many of the suggestions sent in during the year by those who have used the pamphlet. It sells for 10 cents.

Father Heney spent the summer months at Alma getting out the copy for his text book "Theodicy." It runs to some 500 pages. The typewritten pages of the author have been reduced by photostatic work to the normal size of a book page. These have been bound as a book to be used "quasi manuscript," and tried out for a year at Loyola. Macmillan was none too willing at first to allow this.

LOYOLA HIGH

The enrollment is 614. About 30 were turned away. Every desk in the school is occupied. There are 12 boarders. They use the scholastics' recreation room, and have a dining room under the arches in the garden.

A time clock with regular bell signals has been installed in the school. Two new steel backstops have been put up for the indoor field. The playing fields are to be surfaced with asphalt. Father Hanlon is responsible for the improvements.

Father Coffey collected thousands of dollars by his drive for back tuition. The fees and tuition collected at the beginning of the fall semester, are much larger than last year.

Father Falvey teaches three courses in the Evening School conducted by the University at Loyola High.

The Stadium has been used every night for four months by the American Soft Ball Association.

Father C. Leahy attended the Sodality Convention in St. Louis, and the meeting of the Jesuit Committee on Communism in Chicago. He presided at the meeting of the California Province Sodality Directors at Santa Clara.

Father G. Flynn represented the West at the Institute of Human Relations, held at Estes Park, Colorado. He gave three lectures, one of which will be printed in pamphlet form by the National Conference of Jews and Christians. It deals with Human Relations in an American Community. Part of it was broadcasted over KHJ, Los Angeles.

Mr. McKee has the Stamp Club.

New concrete walks have been put in the front gardens by Brother Desjardins.

Two thirds of the high school graduates who entered college, registered at Loyola University. Most of the university officers are from our high school.

PHOENIX

Five B.V.M.'s moved into our former residence and took possession of it on September 6. They are to run a complete grammar school, each teacher taking a double class. It was predicted that the enrollment would surprise us

and be much larger than we might expect.

School opened on September 21 with a nenrollment of 145. That was a great relief to the pastor who has risked so much to start his grammar school.

The Franciscan Pastor of St. Mary's Church and School, Father Martin Knauff, gave special permission upon the request of some parents for their children to come to the new school. He also told one lady that he did not care how many desired to go out to the new school. St. Mary's School is overcrowded.

Our Fathers are living in the garage which has been moved from the rear of the property to a position in front. It has been made into a dwelling with three living rooms, a recreation room, a dining room, and a library. Ours moved from the house to the garage on September 5.

A new garage will be put up cheaply on the old handball courts, which were too far away from the school for proper supervision. Recently the playing wall crashed down to the ground.

SAN FRANCISCO

Two altars in the church and the altar in the high school chapel were dedicated by Archbishop Mitty in the month of September. The Archbishop would have liked all of Ours to be present at the ceremony but as classes were in session this was not possible.

Fathers Peter Dunne and Feely are continuing their Catholic Instruction classes this summer. The classes are free and open to all. The attendance is gratifying. Many conversions result each year from these classes.

The Little Flower Novena at the Carmelite Chapel on Parker Avenue will be conducted by Father Rector.

Father Gleeson gave the retreat to the Ladies' Sodality in our church.

A testimonial dinner in honor of the new dean of the Law School Dr. Charles Kinnane, was given by Florence McAuliffe, an alumnus of the University and a prominent attorney. About 25 guests were present.

Father Taylor relived of his class

Father Taylor, relieved of his class Church.

Fathers Ray Butler, Cody, and Peter Dunne, lecture to the Good Shepherd Nuns who are given credits from U.S.F.

Brother Anthony was brought to Santa Clara's infirmary on September 22 for a month's rest.

BELLARMINE

Bellarmine's enrollment is 278, 65 are boarders. This number shows the normal increase. Last year's total though much larger, was abnormal, due to the closing of St. Joseph's and Brophy. The year before, there were 243 students, the largest number up to that time.

Father Donohue was installed as Rector on August 20. A week later, Father McCann was given a testimonial dinner in town by the Dads' Club. Bellarmine Guild presented him with a farewell gift.

On September 9, Bellarmine was host to all our Rectors at a dinner given in honor of the new Rector.

Bellarmine Dads' Club opened the new year with a Dad-and-Son night. After the meeting, a program was held before a large crowd in the auditorium. The film of the Santa Clara-Texas game was shown and Coach Shaw described the plays.

A package of theological books being returned to Alma, and a suitcase were lifted out of an auto at Bellarmine during dinner. The suitcase had a cassock and a crucifix in it, and was brought back in the dark by the Catholic who had taken it. The books were left in a nearby lot. Four itinerants rested up in the San Jose jail as a result.

SANTA CLARA

Father Laherty gave the retreat to 450 students, September 8-12.

Father Hubbard was in Juneau on September 14, and in Santa Clara on September 19, for a ten day stay, before going out on an extensive lecture tour. He lectured at Santa Clara on September 30, giving his Alma Mater the usual distinction of first place in the season.

In answer to the Archbishop's request for services in reparation for the sacrileges committed in Spain, there was a general Communion by the student body, and all-day exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Volunteers took half-hour periods of adoration, and also came in free periods.

The University Chapel will be consecrated on October 10 by the Archbishop. The day before is a fast day for the community, of which ruling of Canon Law the Archbishop reminded Santa Clara. A practical consequence of the consecration, is that no mortgage can

ever be placed on the chapel, and adjacent buildings. This reason made Father Woods anxious for the consecration.

A new plaque has been placed on the Mission Cross. The wood sheathing which covers and preserves the original wood, has been repainted and the bronze date shield refinished. An opening shows a part of the orignal wood now black with age. It is of interest to note, as the Woodstock Letters for 1890, p. 344, record, that "the Mission Cross now facing the church from the other side of the road, is the identical cross which old Father de la Pena set up at Socoistika (some three miles away from the present site), when he celebrated the first Mass in Santa Clara Valley," on January 12, 1777. Next January the cross will be 160 years old.

The Committee on Communism met at Santa Clara in September.

The next day the Sodality Committee met to discuss the helpful activity of our schools.

CHINA

Father Bitter met Father Lipman and companions at Yokohama. The weather was very hot in Japan. They went by train from Yokohama to Kobe, and sailed from there for Shanghai on September 4. The trip to Japan was very pleasant except for the first couple of days. A few meals were missed or lost, and once Mass was unsaid on account of rough weather.

Messrs. Deward and Albert O'Hara are first year theologians at Zikawei.

Father Simons pronounced his Last Vows at Zikawei Cathedral at the 8 o'clock Mass on August 15th.

Father Rouleau spent the summer at Nanking. Father Phillips helped Father Lennon.

Mrs. Huesman has interested an old lady in China and had Father George Dunne meet her. Father Simons wants $1000 to build chapels in his mission. Father Dunne made this known. She has only $800, but is going to get $200 more, so as to help Father Simons.

AMERICAN MARTYRS

Father John Wynne is making a list of chapels, shrines, schools, etc., dedicated to the American Martyrs. Alma has a chapel; St. Ignatius a side altar; Loyola University, a chapel; Loyola High, a chapel in Father Martin Maher's cottage. Manhattan Beach has a church of the American Martyrs, which claims to be the first in the United States.

CORRECTION

The last issue of the Province News made Father De Rop responsible for various Italian churches on the coast. He did excellent work for the Italians by organizing catechism classes, but others are responsible for the churches.

NEW MONTHLY

All the Provinces were represented at the meeting held in Chicago on September 4-5, to discuss Communism. The Integrated Plan has been revised, and will be reissued in a new pamphlet. A monthly is to be sent out with helpful and up-to-date material. Also a book will be published with longer articles. Father Lawrence Patterson of Woodstock College is editor of the monthly. He will be helped in his work by the scholastics at Woodstock.

REGISTRATION

U.S.C.—305 boarders, 450 students.

U.S.F.—150 freshmen.

Loyola U.—175 freshmen, 425 day college.

St. Ignatius—700 students.

Bellarmine—65 boarders, 278 students.

Loy. High—12 boarders, 614 students.

Grammar Schools

St. Clare's	260
St. Joseph's	260
St. Mary's	197
Phoenix	145
Bl. Sacrament	470

The Notre Dames at Santa Clara have closed their boarding school, which lessens the attendance by about 25. The convent now houses the sick and aged Sisters whose service is largely at an end.

DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Fr. Ralph. O'Connell, Aug. 26, St. Andrews.

Fr. Jones Corrigan, Sept. 9, Boston.

DEATHS OF RELATIVES

Brother of Father Gerald Leahy.

Exivit Francis Werts.